GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

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SPECIAL COURTS FOR SPEEDY TRIAL
KAILASH MEGHWAL

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal before the Union Government for establishment of more special courts for speedy trial of cases;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Eleventh Finance Commission had recommendedthe establishment of additional courts known as Fast Track Courts for the speedy disposal of cases;

(d) if so, the number of Fast Track Courts established as on March 31, 2003 under the scheme and funds released to the State Governments, State-wise;

(e) the time by which the remaining Fast Track courts are fikely to be established and funds likely to be released to the States for the purpose. State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY):

(a) No, Sir. There is no proposal before the Union Government for establishment of more special courts for speedy trial.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A statement showing the number of Fast Track Courts established,and funds released to the State Governments as on March 31, 2003, state-wise, is enclosed.

(e) The primary responsibility of setting up Fast Track Courts is that of the StateGovernments and the High Courts. The Central Government is constantly persuading the State Governments and the High Courts to make all the Fast Track Courts functional as soon as possible. As for release of funds, the states are expected to comply with the guidelines of the Eleventh Finance Commission in order to avail the grant.